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| EASTERN FOOTBALL NETBALL LEAGUE – CONTACTS & SENIOR RULES SUMMARY |

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|  | **Senior Men’s** | **Reserves** | **U19’s** | **Senior Women’s** | **Veterans – Men’s** | **Veterans – Women’s** |
| **Start Time** | 2.10pm SAT | 12.05pm SAT | 10.00am SAT | Saturday - Various | Fri 7pm, Sat 4.45pm or Sun 2.30pm | Saturday - Various |
| **Quarter Duration** | 20 minutes | 20 minutes | 20 minutes | 20 minutes | 20 minutes | 15 Minutes |
| **Time on (Home & Away)** | Time on all 4 quarters | Last 5 min Q3 and Q4 only | Last 5 min Q3 and Q4 only | No time on | No time on | No time on |
| **Home & Away Compulsory Finish Time****Finals Finish Time** | No Compulsory finish time | Home and away game must finish 5 minutes prior to scheduled Senior start time (adjust breaks)No Compulsory finish time | Home and away game must finish 5 minutes prior to scheduled Reserves start time (adjust breaks)No Compulsory finish time |  |  |  |
| **Time on (Finals)** | Time on all 4 quarters | Last 5 min Q3 and Q4 only | Last 5 min Q3 and Q4 only | Last 5 min Q3 and Q4 only | No time on  | No time on  |
| **Break Duration (1/4-1/2-3/4)** | **5 Minutes** (1/4 time) - **15 Minutes** (1/2 time) - **5 Minutes** (3/4 time) |
| **Players on Ground***Playing positions (Def-Mid-Fwd)* | 186-6-6 | 16 5-6-5(\**18-a-side should* both clubs agree) | 16 5-6-5\*\*both clubs can agree – even up applies\*\* | 186-6-6 | 16 5-6-5\*\*both clubs can agree – even up applies\*\* |
| **Gate Charge Times** | 10.20am or ¼ time of the U19’s | 10.20am or ¼ time of the U19’s | 10.20am or ¼ time of the U19’s | 10.20am or ¼ time of the U19’s | n/a | 10.20am or ¼ time of the U19’s |
| **Players on Bench****Min number to start game** | 4 | 614 | 613 | 8 (max 24 in team)13 (even up rule applies) | 814 | 8 13 (even up rule applies) |
| **FinalsScoring/Results/ Ladders** | Top 5 Division Prem & 1Top 4 Division 2, 3 & 4Scores, Goal Kickers and Best Players for all games lodged by 5.30pm on the day of the match | Top 4Scores, Goal Kickers and Best Players for all games lodged by 5.30pm on the day of the match | Top 4 KnockoutScores, Goal Kickers and Best Players for all games lodged by 5.30pm on the day of the match | Top 2 playoffScores, Goal Kickers and Best Players for all games lodged by 5.30pm on the day of the match |
| **Ball** | EFNL Full Size Red Sherrin – (Home team to supply new and good condition footballs (red) to umpire) | EFNL Full Size Sherrin – (Home team to supply new and good condition footballs (red or yellow) to umpire) | EFNL Full Size Sherrin – (Home team to supply new and good condition footballs (red or yellow) to umpire) | EFNL Size 4 Sherrin – (Home team to supply 2 good condition footballs (red or yellow) to umpire) | EFNL Full Size Sherrin – (Home team to supply 2 good condition footballs (red or yellow) to umpire) | EFNL Size 4 Sherrin – (Home team to supply 2 good condition footballs (red or yellow) to umpire) |
| **Registration** | All players must be registered and financial via SportsTG prior to playing any game |
| **Senior Teams Online Lodgement Pre-Game** | Lodge by 10am Friday before game | n/a | n/a | Lodge by 10am Friday before game  | n/a | n/a |
| **Match Day Team Sheet & Officials** | 2 Copies of Team sheet to umpire’s min 30 min prior to game commencementTeam sheets exchanged | Hand team sheet to umpires at half time | Hand team sheet to umpires at half time | Hand team sheet to umpires at half time | Hand team sheet to umpires at half time | Hand team sheet to umpires at half time |
| **Team Sheet** | Clubs must review the online team sheet for accuracy and adjust as appropriate by 5pm Monday following game |
| **Live Scores**  | Minimum QuarterlyPreference Live updates throughout game | End of Game | End of Game | Minimum QuarterlyPreference Live updates throughout game | End of Game | End of Game |
| **Development Players****Age Restrictions****Movement of players between teams (19’s multiple)** | n/a | n/a | Clubs may apply to the League to have players – under 20 years of age be approved to play in the U19 competition. Can be revokedA list of 15 players who are only eligible to play in the higher ranked team must be submitted. | n/aMust be 16 as of 1st January of the season they wish to registerParent/guardian consent required | Must have turned 35 by 1st January of the season they wish to register | Must have turned 35 by 1st January of the season they wish to register |
| **Team Officials on Bench** | 4 officials plus runnerMax 6 trainers (includes water carriers) – position in boxes around ground |
| **Drink Carriers** | Must be min 15 years oldMax 3 personsMust stand in BOXES markedWear EFNL approved BIB |
| **Trainers** | Min 1 Accredited Level 1All trainers must have First Aid AccreditationMax 6 trainers (includes water carriers i.e. 3 trainers + 3 drink carriers = 6Approved EFNL Bib |
| **Umpires Supplied by EFNL****Club Supplied Umpires** | Field: 2 (EFNL)Boundary: 2Goal: 2\*\*Where the EFNL cannot provide all umpire’s, clubs will be notified\*\* | Field: 2 (EFNL)Club supplied Goal and Boundary must be over 15 years of ageWear EFNL Goal/ Boundary Umpire Bib | Field: 2 (EFNL)Club supplied Goal and Boundary must be over 15 years of ageWear EFNL Goal/ Boundary Umpire BibU19 Prem – EFNL supply Field, Goal and Boundaries | Field: 2 (EFNL)Club supplied Goal must be over 15 years of ageWear EFNL Goal/ Boundary Umpire Bib | Field: 2 (EFNL)Club supplied Goal and Boundary must be over 15 years of ageWear EFNL Goal/ Boundary Umpire Bib | Field: 2 (EFNL)Club supplied Goal and Boundary must be over 15 years of ageWear EFNL Goal/ Boundary Umpire Bib |
| **Runner** | Approved EFNL uniform (shorts and shirt)18 years of age |
| **Umpire Escorts** | Wear EFNL Umpire Escort Bib18+ |
| **Goal Post Padding** | 2.5m high & 35mm thickness |
| **Ground Inspections** | Review Ground ThursdayComplete inspection prior to Game | Review Ground ThursdayComplete inspection prior to Game | Review Ground ThursdayComplete inspection prior to Game | Complete inspection prior to Game | Complete inspection prior to Game | Complete inspection prior to Game |
| **Undergarments****Gloves****Football Boots****Mouthguards****Hair / Nails** | Must be beige or blackMust be approved by EFNLNo metal studsStrongly recommended | Must be beige or blackMust be approved by EFNLNo metal studsStrongly recommended | Must be beige or blackMust be approved by EFNLNo metal studsStrongly recommended | Must be beige or blackMust be approved by EFNLNo metal studsStrongly recommendedTied up / Cut | Must be beige or blackMust be approved by EFNLNo metal studsStrongly recommended | Must be beige or blackMust be approved by EFNLNo metal studsStrongly recommendedTied up / Cut |
| **Penalty Distance (m)** | 25 metres |
| **Player Count** | Request from any player to umpireStop play and count in centre squareExtra players – free kick from Goal LineNo Extra players – free kick centre circle or where play stopped (greater penalty) + 25m penalty.A player can be reported. | Request from any player to umpireStop play and count in centre squareExtra players – free kick from Goal LineNo Extra players – free kick centre circle or where play stopped (greater penalty) + 25mpenalty.A player can be reported. | Request from any player to umpireStop play and count in centre squareExtra players – free kick from Goal LineNo Extra players – free kick centre circle or where play stopped (greater penalty) + 25m penalty.A player can be reported. | Request from any player to umpireStop play and count in centre squareExtra players – free kick from Goal LineNo Extra players – free kick centre circle or where play stopped (greater penalty) + 25m penalty.A player can be reported. | Request from any player to umpireStop play and count in centre squareExtra players – free kick from Goal LineNo Extra players – free kick centre circle or where play stopped (greater penalty) + 25m penalty.A player can be reported. | Request from any player to umpireStop play and count in centre squareExtra players – free kick from Goal LineNo Extra players – free kick centre circle or where play stopped (greater penalty) + 25m penalty.A player can be reported. |
| **Behind Scored** | Kick in once umpires signalled and waved flag |
| **Ball out of bounds** | Ball thrown back in by boundary umpire | Ball thrown back in by boundary umpire | Last Possession rule (initial trial phase) | Last Possession rule | Ball thrown back in by boundary umpire | Last Possession rule |
| **Forfeit Calculations** | Awarded points and game counts for non-forfeit team% calculated based on GWM in same Division |
| **Fixture alterations** | 10 business days written notice |
| **Yellow Card** | 15 Mins – Can be replacedIndividual player 3+ cards = club fineTeam 10+ cards = club fine  | 15 Mins – Can be replaced | 15 Mins – Can be replacedIndividual player 3+ cards = club fineTeam 10+ cards = club fine |  |
| **Red Card** | Rest of Match – can be replaced |
| **Melee** | 6 or more players bringing/likely to bring game into disrepute1st offence 10 penalty units ($160 club fine) |
| **Reportable Incident** | Accept set penalty after game or before 11am Monday morning immediately following the game.Attend Tribunal from 7pm Tuesday |
| **Investigation Request** | Lodge by 5pm Tuesday post game if Saturday gameLodge by 5pm Wednesday if Sunday gameLodge in writing / pay $320 BondLodge in writing (email) with GM Football Dyson Baker |
| **Finals qualification 1****Minimum Requirement** | Min 3 games with club | Min 3 games with club | Min 3 games with club | Min 3 games with team | Min 3 games with team | Min 3 games with team |
| **Finals qualification 2** | n/a | Min 3 team games unless other teams playing same day/weekend – refer By law 4.3 | Min 3 games unless other teams playing same day/weekend– refer By law 4.3 |  | n/a |  |
| **Finals Qualification 3 + Exception** | All 3 teams playing on same day/weekend no restrictions apply | Player who plays 10 or more Senior games is ineligible to play finals unless the player has played 6 or more games with the Reserves team or other teams are playing same day/weekend | Player who plays 10 or more Senior games is ineligible to play finals unless the player has played 6 or more games with the U19 team or other teams are playing same day/weekend |  | n/a |  |
| **Finals Qualification 4 VFL/NAB League/AFL restrictions** | 12 or more games in VFL, NAB League is ineligible to play EFNL Finals | 12 or more games in VFL, NAB League is ineligible to play EFNL Finals | 12 or more games in VFL, NAB League is ineligible to play EFNL Finals | More than 50% of total VFL matches ineligible for EFNL FinalsAny player that plays a senior grade game in the VFL/VFLW competitions is ineligible to play EFNL reserves unless that player has played 3 games for that specific team or has played a minimum of 5 games for the club during the season. | n/a | n/a |
| **Penalty Unit** | 1 penalty unit = $16 |
| **Players Points & Player Payments** | **Salary Cap**Premier - $100kDivision 1 - $85kDivision 2 - $70kDivision 3 - $60kDivision 4 – $50kPoints Cap - 47 | Any cash awards or player payments included in Salary Cap | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| **Rules pertaining to individual competitions**  |  |  |  |  |  | **Stand up tackle only** |

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| Traditional Playing Positions  | Teams must have six (6) players inside both areas from the back of the goal square to the goal line |
| Kick Ins | The man on the mark will be positioned ten (10) metres from the top of the goal square. All players other than the man on the mark & the player bringing the ball back into play must not be in the area from the man on the mark back to the goal line  |
| Marks/ Free Kicks | For all defenders who take a mark or gain a free kick within nine (9) metres of their own goal, the player on the mark for the attacking team will be brought in line with the top of the goal square |
| Umpire Contact | Players will be prohibited from setting up behind the umpire at each centre bounce |
| 25M Penalty | Stricter on the infringing player, allowing the player with the ball to advance the mark by 25 metres without the infringing player delaying the game |
| Ruck Contests | A Ruckman who takes possession of the football while contesting a ball up by a field umpire or a boundary throw in by a boundary umpire, will not be regarded as having had prior opportunity |

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| Player standing the mark  | A defending Player must hold his/her position on The Mark. If the defending player moves off The Mark in any direction prior to "Play On" being called, a 25-metre penalty will apply. The defensive team is unable to substitute the Player on The Mark.  |